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REMARKS

The Office Action mailed June 3, 2004 has been carefully reviewed and the foregoing amendment has been made in consequence thereof.

Claims 6-19 are now pending in this application. Claims 1-5 stand rejected. Claims 6-10 are objected to. Claims 11-19 are allowed. Claims 1-5 are canceled.

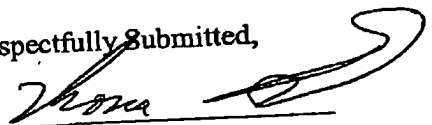
The objection to Claims 6-10 is respectfully traversed. Claim 6 has been amended to recite "A dishwasher door latch assembly for a dishwasher" in accordance with the recommendation in the Office Action. For at least the reasons above, Claim 6 is submitted to be in condition for allowance. Claims 7-10 depend from Claim 6 and are also submitted to be in condition for allowance. For at least the reasons above, Applicants request the objection to Claims 6-10 be withdrawn.

The rejection of Claims 1-5 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Rop (U.S. Patent No. 2,948,560) in view of Marks et al. ("Marks") (U.S. Patent No. 4,776,620) is respectfully traversed.

Claims 1-5 are canceled.. For at least the reasons set forth above, Applicants respectfully request the rejection of Claims 1-5 be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, all the claims now active in this application are believed to be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and favorable action is respectfully solicited.

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